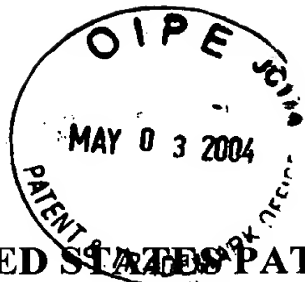


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**NOTICE OF APPEAL**

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
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SIR:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Appeals from the decision dated December 3, 2003

The items checked below are appropriate:

☒ A Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 was filed for one month.

☒ A timely response to the final rejection was filed on April 5, 2004.

☒ A Petition for Extension of Time for filing the Notice of Appeal is attached.

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☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

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